

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE

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URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Gentlemen,

I have the honour to submit to you a  
Report on the Health and Sanitary State of  
the District for the Year 1949.

I am, gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

D. W. RYDER RICHARDSON.

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## EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS

	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE
<u>LIVE BIRTHS</u> : Legitimate	9	4	5
Illegitimate	1	-	1
<u>Stillbirths</u>	NONE		
Birth Rate : 7.0			
<u>DEATHS</u> :	12	2	10
Death Rate : 8.4			

Deaths from puerperal causes ..... None.  
Deaths of infants under one year ..... None.  
Deaths from cancer ..... None.  
Deaths from measles, whooping-cough or  
diarrhoea, (under two years old) ..... None.

## INFECTIOUS DISEASES

There was a considerable outbreak of measles in February and March. 47 cases were notified during the early part of the year, mostly young children. Two of these cases developed pneumonia, but recovered. 4 other cases of pneumonia were notified during the year, of which one died, aged 88. One case of scarlet fever was notified and two of tuberculosis, one pulmonary, which was not confirmed as such, and one non-pulmonary. There was one death from tuberculosis. The efficiency of notification appears to be complete.

## DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION





Pre-school population (0- 4) .....	124.
School population (5-14) .....	196.
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Number of pre-school children immunised .....	68.
Total number of children immunised .....	87.
% of pre-school children immunised .....	54.8
% of all children .....	68.
"Booster" treatment, 1949 .....	22.
Number of children immunised during 1949 .....	25.

### WATERWORKS

On September 1st the Town Waterworks was handed over to the Blyth R.D.C., Saxmundham still receiving its main supply from this source. If, as we have every reason to hope, it continues to be run with the same efficiency in the future as in the past, the town's water supply will doubtless remain satisfactory in quantity and quality. Recent analyses show the latter to be excellent.

### PUBLIC HEALTH AND HOUSING ACTS

Number of houses inspected .....	33.
Number of inspections .....	96.
Number of informal notices .....	17.
Number of defects remedied .....	21.
Disinfestations 1; Disinfections 1; Rat infestation 2.	

### ROUTINE INSPECTION

Cowsheds and Dairies .....	6.
Bakehouses .....	10.
Factories and Workshops; 4. Inspections .....	9.
Fish Shops .....	4.
Ice Cream Premises .....	5.
Other Shops and Various .....	6.

### FOOD INSPECTIONS

Condemned unfit for human consumption .....	254 lbs.
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